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ROAD REPAIR FACILITIES,
BUS LINES EXPAND

FIRST MDS ESTABLISHED IN ARMENIA -- Kommunist, No 153, 1 Jul 49

The first two road-machinery stations have been set up in Armenia. The Yerevan MDS will service Ashtarakskiy, Aparanskij, Vedinskij, Oktembryanskij, Artashatskiy, and imeni Beriia rayons. The Martuni MDS will service Martuninskiy, Norbayazetskiy, Sevanskij, Akhtinskiy, and other rayons. Four million rubles have been expended in establishing and equipping these stations. Some road machines have already been acquired.

MOSCOW PLANT MAKES MOBILE GARAGES -- Vechnoyaya Moskva, No 159, 6 Jul 49

The Fourth Automobile Repair Plant in Moscow is preparing for serial production of mobile garages for the Moskvich and Pobeda automobiles. July production is set at ten garages.

The plant has begun repair of Moskvich automobiles belonging to individuals.

MOLDAVIAN ROAD REPAIR PROGRESSES -- Sovetskaya Moldaviya, No 129, 29 Jun 49

In villages of Bel'tskiy Rayon, Bel'tsy Uyezd, Moldavian SSR, 95 kilometers of roads have been repaired so far in June. Work is progressing on a highway between Bel'tsy and Peleniya. Capital and running repairs have been done on bridges at Kubolt, Yelizavetovka, Aleksandreny, and other villages.

BUS FACILITIES EXPAND -- Kommunist Tadzhikistana, No 124, 26 Jun 49

Dozens of busses now travel daily on Tadzhikistan passenger lines. Busses regularly travel from Stalinabad to the neighboring regions of Ordzhonikidzeabad, Gissar, Stalinabadskiy Rayon, Varzob, Obi-Garm, and Kurgan-Tyube. Busses travel from Stalinabad to the Khodzhi-Obi-Garm resort region. Automobile communications

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have been established between Kulyab, Kolkhozabad, and Parkhar. A new line between Kurgan-Tyube, Kaganovichabad, and Dzhilikul' has now been opened. Buses travel regularly from Pendzhikent to Samarkand. Passenger buses travel from Leninabad to Chkalovsk, Kanibadam, Proletarsk, Nau, and Ura-Tyube. From Kanibadam, buses complete the journey to Mel'nikov Station, Nefteabad, Isfara, and Shurab. A new bus line was recently opened between Garm Airport and Shul'mak.

Almost all bus lines are now equipped with 16-seat buses made by the Gor'kiy Automobile Plant. Forty more of these buses have been sent to the bus lines. Still another 30 buses will be sent to passenger lines by the Ministry of Automobile Transport Tadzhik SSR in the very near future.

Gudok, No 83, 13 Jul 49

Construction has begun on a trolleybus line in Yaroslavl' between the central part of town and the railroad village of Vspol'ye.

Pravda Vostoka, No 128, 1 Jul 49

There are bus connections between Revolution Square, in the center of Tashkent, and the town of Shumilovsk. However, the road on which the buses travel is in such bad condition that buses have difficulty in getting through the road, even when not loaded with passengers.

CALLS FOR INCREASED MECHANIZATION -- Pravda, No 160, 9 Jun 49

A major task of Soviet industry is the mechanization of loading and unloading operations in transportation work. Mass production of loading and unloading machines has been organized in a number of enterprises of the Ministries of Transport-Machine Building, Automobile and Tractor Industry, and Construction and Road-Machine Building. The output of traveling cranes, dump cars, and all other machinery for facilitating loading work has increased from 100 to 200 percent in comparison with last year. Regular production of automobile and tractor loaders is provided for. The S-80 4-ton tractor loader can load more than 150 tons of freight in one hour.

Machine builders must in every way develop the production of loading machines and create new designs. The Ministry of Automobile and Tractor Industry is far behind in organizing the production of medium-power mobile loading equipment.

A number of ministries, though meeting the quota for loading and unloading, have not introduced the required number of new machines. Railroads are behind in mechanization of loading yards, transport of coal, and unloading of ballast. Not only are few permanent loading and unloading installations being built in the railroad industry, but existing installations are not completely utilized.

MOSCOW LACKS SERVICE STATIONS -- Moskovskiy Bol'shevik, No 160, 9 Jul 49

Although many Moscow residents have small automobiles for their own use, facilities for servicing them are unsatisfactory and owners have experienced considerable difficulty. The existing station of the "Rosavtoobsluzhivaniye" (RSFSR Automobile Servicing) Trust, located on Bobrov Street, does not answer the elementary demands; it is inconveniently located for automobile repair and does not have the necessary equipment.

The Ministry of Automobile Transport RSFSR should establish service stations and furnish them with garage equipment, tools, and spare parts needed for automobile repair. Each station should also be equipped with a paint shop. -- M. Strel'nik, "Rosavtoobsluzhivaniye" Trust engineer.

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